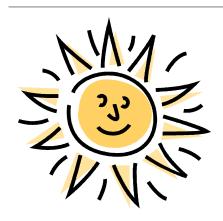
## **Newington Parks & Recreation**

## **Summer Playgrounds 2011**



Where

great

summers

begin!

#### OUR PROGRAM

Is a great opportunity to meet new friends, develop respect, build self-esteem, and participate in activities in a safe and friendly atmosphere.

#### **OUR COUNSELORS**

Work to provide a positive experience for all participants. Our counselors are individuals who are selected on the basis of their skills and talents, as well as their enthusiasm. We also have an extremely high rate of return, and most of our counselors have been with us for several years. Approximate Ratios are:

- Grades 1 & 2 1 to 12
- Grades 3 & 4 1 to 15
- Grades 5, 6 & 7 1 to 18

June 27th to August 12th - 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

**ELIGIBILITY:** The Summer Playground Program is open to children who are

Newington residents or attend Newington public schools and have completed grades 1 through 7. Students attending other (non-public) Newington schools (and have completed grades 1 through 7) may enroll in this playground program for an additional \$20 fee per week.

**DATES:** The program operates from Monday, June 27th through Friday,

August 12th. There is no program on Monday, July 4th.

**TIME:** The Playground Program is staffed daily, Monday through Friday,

from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

**PAYMENT:** Payment is due in full at time of registration. Payment in the form of

Cash, Check, or Credit Card is accepted. Register by June 8th for additional savings! You must enroll in all desired weeks at the time of

initial registration to take advantage of multiple-week discounts.

**SWIMMING:** Swim instruction and recreational swim at the pool will be available

to all participants and offered at no additional charge.

### PLAYGROUND ASSIGNMENTS

#### CHILDREN HAVING COMPLETED GRADES 1 & 2 IN JUNE 2011:

All participants attend the Mortensen Community Center Gymnasium

#### **CHILDREN HAVING COMPLETED GRADES 3 & 4 IN JUNE 2011:**

- Ruth Chaffee & John Paterson students attend John Paterson Site
- Anna Reynolds & Elizabeth Green students attend Anna Reynolds Site

#### CHILDREN HAVING <u>COMPLETED</u> GRADES 5, 6 & 7 IN JUNE 2011:

- John Wallace students attend John Wallace Site
- Martin Kellogg students attend Martin Kellogg Site

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

- Newington Parks & Recreation, 131 Cedar Street, Newington, CT 06111
- The office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.
- Phone: 860-665-8666
  Fax: 860-665-8739
  Web: www.newingtonct.gov
- Pool & Playground Hotline: 860-665-8766

Register by mail, fax or in person

## **Summer Playgrounds 2011**

# Here are answers to many of the questions you may have about our program:

#### **PLAYGROUND INFO LINE**

For information on each individual site, please call the hotline at 860-665-8766.

#### MEDICATIONS/ALLERGIES AND/ OR SPECIAL NEEDS

Separate forms regarding Medications/ Allergies and/or Special Needs must be completed and submitted at the time of registration. Please list any allergies, medications or Epi-Pens that your child may need on the Medication form. Our staff is not authorized to dispense medications of any kind. Our staff will supervise your child when they take required medication. Participants with Special Needs must also have a separate form submitted at time of registration.

#### **BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS**

Participants whose behavior interferes with a positive experience for other children may be subject to dismissal. The discipline procedure is as follows:

Stage One: Discussion with parent/guardian regarding behavior. Report is written up.

Stage Two: Child will be sent home for the remainder of the day and will be suspended from the program the following day.

Stage Three: The child will be sent home for the remainder of the day and suspended for one week's time. A referral to the Newington Human Services Department may be made.

Stage Four: Dismissal from the program

The Parks & Recreation Department may use discretion in the disciplinary process.

#### ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

Children should be dropped off in the designated area at their site at 8:00 a.m. (no earlier please) and picked up by 4:30 p.m. PLEASE BE PROMPT. A child cannot leave the program early for any reason on a bike or walking unless written permission is granted from the parent or guardian. Children are not allowed to bring guests to the program.

#### SIGN IN / SIGN OUT

You will be asked to sign your child in and out daily. Please have a photo ID ready to ensure a quick and easy sign-out. Take the time to meet and talk to your child's counselor. A child cannot be released to anyone other than those listed on the pick-up authorization form.

#### WHAT TO BRING

All participants should bring a water bottle, bathing suit, towel, sunscreen, hat, a lunch and a snack every day. Be sure to label all of your child's belongings. For safety reasons, all bags are subject to search.

#### LUNCH

You must provide your child's lunch and a daily snack. Please include an ice pack. There is no refrigeration available. Also, please send a water bottle. We ask that you **do not send your child with nuts or nut products** of any kind due to the prevalence of allergies.

#### (TYPICAL) DAILY SCHEDULE

Following arrival and opening announcements, the day consists of planned activities, swim instruction, sports, games, arts & crafts, lunch and recreational swim.

#### **SWIM INSTRUCTION**

Swim instruction and recreational swim are offered to all participants. All children must participate in swim instruction unless a parent or guardian gives written permission otherwise.

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS & TRIPS**

Participants enjoy special events, entertainment and trips at the Summer Playground Program. Trips are offered using school bus transportation at no additional fee. Events include cookouts, talent shows, playground Olympics, bowling, movies, magicians, special quests, theme weeks and much more!

#### **RAINY DAY PROCEDURES**

Summer Playgrounds are held rain or shine. We make every attempt to hold the program outdoors in marginal weather. Please dress children for muddy conditions and pack a change of clothes.

#### **NOTICES AND FLYERS**

If your child leaves early or will be away from the program for an extended period of time, check with your child's counselor for information about upcoming trips and other events or activities your child may not want to miss. A newsletter is distributed at the end of every week. You may also call the information line for more details.

#### STAFF TRAINING

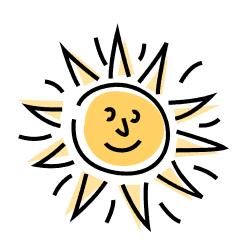
The Newington Parks and Recreation Department requires all staff to attend an extensive Orientation and Training program to prepare them for the needs and demands of the program.

#### **LATE PICK-UP FEE**

An additional fee may be assessed for any participant who is repeatedly picked up late at the end of the day.

#### **REFUNDS**

No refunds will be given once you have registered for a program unless participants cannot attend due to illness or injury. All refunds must be requested in writing to the Parks & Recreation Department and require a doctor's written note. Refunds will not be issued once a program has begun.



Newington Parks & Recreation 860-665-8666; www.newingtonct.gov

## Summer Playgrounds 2011 Registration Form

#### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION** (Please complete all areas of this form) Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent 1 Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Parent 1 Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent 1 Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent 2 Name: Parent 2 Cell: Parent 2 Work Phone: Emergency Contact Information: please provide an additional contact (not residing with you) that we can contact in case a parent/guardian cannot be reached. \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Child: \_\_\_\_\_ PICK-UP AUTHORIZATION I hereby authorize the following person(s) to pick up my child from the Newington Parks & Recreation Department's Summer Playground Program. If there are any changes in these arrangements, I will give written notice. Parent/guardian must be included on this pick-up authorization. Only people listed here are authorized to pick up child. Parent/Guardian Name: (1) Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_ 2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: Please check if applicable: My child is allowed to WALK BIKE to and from the program (3rd through 7th grade only). CURRENT SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE COMPLETED JUNE 2011: \_\_\_\_ Please check Week 1 Week 2\* Week 3 Week 4 Week 5 Week 6 Week 7 appropriate box(es) June 27 - July 1 July 5-8 July 25 - 29 July 11 - 15 July 18-22 August 1-5 August 8-12 Grade 1 Mortensen Community Center ID: 7482 ID: 7485 ID: 7486 Grades 1 & Grade 2 Mortensen Community Center ID: 7495 ID: 7490 ID: 7491 ID: 7492 ID: 7493 ID: 7494 E. Green & Revnolds ID: 7500 Attend Anna Reynolds Site ID: 7501 ID: 7502 Grades 3 & Chaffee & Paterson Attend John Paterson Site ID: 7503 ID: 7504 ID: 7505 ID: 7506 ID: 7507 ID: 7508 ID: 7509 Martin Kellogg Attend Martin Kellogg Site ID: 7510 ID: 7511 ID: 7515 ID: 7512 ID: 7513 ID: 7514 ID: 7516 Grades 5, John Wallace Attend John Wallace Site **CURRENT FEES** Total Amount Due: registration to take advantage of multiple-week discounts. Cost for 7 weeks purchased individually on or before

You must enroll in all desired weeks at the time of initial

June 8th: **\$825**: after June 8th: **\$895** 

(No Program July 4th)

	By	After
_	June 8	June 8
ALL 7 WEEKS:	\$555	\$595
ANY 4 WEEKS:	\$430	\$450
ANY 1 WEEK:	\$120	\$130
WEEK 2*:	\$105	\$115

Please Circle Payment Method:	Cash	Check	Visa	Mastercard	Discover	
Checks Payable To: Newington Parks & Recreation (131 Cedar Street, Newington, CT 06111)						
Credit Card #					Exp. Date	_/
Security Code #						
Signature for Credit Card Use:				Date	e:	

#### ~ Signature(s) required on the back of this form ~

Please Note: The person(s) signing this form is/are the only person(s) authorized to make changes on this registration form. All changes must be made at the Parks & Recreation Office. Changes cannot be made at individual sites.

#### Terms and Conditions of Registration

Incomplete forms will not be accepted: My son/daughter has permission to participate in the Newington Parks & Recreation Department's Summer Playground Program. I hereby agree to release, discharge and hold harmless, the Town of Newington, its employees, contracted instructors and volunteers from any liabilities which may occur while participating in the Playground Program, including field trips. I understand that participation in any recreational activity involves risk. I further understand that the Town of Newington does not provide accident/medical insurance for program participants.

Unless the Playground Program is restricted by a written order directed expressly to the Parks & Recreation Department (1) the Playground is hereby authorized to release the child to either parent (or persons authorized by either parent) on Playground property at any time during the day or arrangements for pick-up of the child have been made in writing in advance with the Parks & Recreation Office even if both parents do not live at the same address, and (2) to permit both parents to visit the child at the program. Disputes between parents, which involve the Playground in any way, must be resolved immediately by the parents, failing which the Playground shall have the right to terminate this contract and dismiss the child. Should such action be taken by the Playground Program, no refund will be made and the one who signs this contract will, nevertheless, be responsible for all amounts due the Playground Program as if the child had not been dismissed unless otherwise noted in writing. The parent irrevocably authorizes and consents to the Playground Program's use of the child's name, photograph, portrait or image in connection with the Playground Program's brochure or other promotional or advertising publication. The parent releases the Playground Program and shall indemnify and hold the Playground Program harmless from and against any and all claims, liabilities and expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees) arising from such use.

The Playground Program shall have the right to make all decisions regarding the participant's fitness to participate in particular activities or the entire Playground Program. At any time before opening day of the Playground Program season, the Playground Program shall have the right to cancel this contract if it determines, in its sole judgment; (1) that the physical, mental or emotional condition of the child would prevent him/her from participation safely and satisfactorily in the Playground Program or interacting positively with other children at the Program or (2) the child's parent(s)/guardian(s) make an unreasonable demand on the Playground Program. Once the program has begun, the Playground Program shall have the right to terminate this contract and dismiss the child, if it determines in its sole judgment that the child's behavior: (1) proves detrimental to himself/herself, other participants or staff or property, or (2) displays bigotry, bullying or inappropriate sexual acts, or (3) the child's parent(s)/guardian(s) make an unreasonable demand upon the Playground Program, or (4) the program fee has not been paid in full prior to the start of the program unless prior arrangements have been made with the Department. Newington Parks & Recreation Department's Refund Policy: there are no refunds once you have registered for a program, unless there is an injury or illness, which is documented by a physician. Submit requests in writing to our office, accompanied by physician's documentation.

#### **Emergency Medical and Surgical Treatment Release**

**Release:** The information contained herein is accurate to the best of my/our knowledge. By my/our signature below, I/we consent to the following: A. Release any and all medical, insurance and/or other records to third party, which are in the possession of the Town of Newington or any other party referred to herein.

B. For the Town of Newington to acquire medical insurance, and/or other data from third parties to be added to this record, and for those third parties to release such information to the Town of Newington.

I/we authorize duly-licensed physician, nurses and allied health professionals to provide such necessary medical care and to administer such routine diagnostic tests and procedures in the judgment of the authorized personnel as deemed necessary or advisable for the care of the individual person herein. If the information contained herein refers to an individual other than ourselves, I/we am/are their authorized legal representative and/or guardian(s) and am/are hereby authorized to submit this material and execute this release form.

#### Participants with Medications / Special Needs

YOU MUST SUPPLY A SUPPLEMENTAL FORM FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND/OR MEDICATIONS! Forms are available at the Parks & Recreation Office or online at www.newingtonct.gov.

Parent(s)/guardians(s) represent to the Playground Program that written in the space below is his/her/their child's

history of medical condition prescription medications:	ons or surgical procedures, sp	ecial needs, therapy prog	rams and/or regularly taken	
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Parent(s)/guardian(s) represent to the Playground Program that the participant is in sound physical and mental health and fully able to participate in all Program activities without need of individual or specialized attention or medical regimen and that the child's health will not impinge or impact negatively on other participants or the Playground Program. Parent(s)/guardian(s) agree(s) to advise the Parks & Recreation Department promptly in writing of any change in the child's physical or mental health between the date of enrollment and the start of the Playground Program season as well as throughout the dates of the program. The parent(s)/guardian(s) who signs this contract will be responsible for payment of all fees charged by the Playground Program.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN 1	PRINTED NAME	DATE
SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN 2	PRINTED NAME	DATE

I/we have read, understand and agree to the above terms and conditions.